## GRIERSON'S EXPEDITION.

The Great Cavalry Operations in the Southwest.

The Most Brilliant Feat of the War.

Over Four Millions of Property Destroyed.

Capture of Over a Thousand Men and Twelve Hundred Horses.

Destruction of An Extensive Camp of Instruction, with All Its Armament.

Portions of the Great Northern and New Orleans and Jackson Railroads Bestroyed---About Two Hundred Cars, Immense Quantities of Ammunition and Stores Burned, Water Tanks Entirely Ruined, and Telegraph Wires Cut.

Arrival of General Grierson at New Orleans.

MIS RECEPTION AND PRESENTATION.

lars of one of the most important expeditious of r. The excitement of the hour will hardly permit do more than relate the dry details, which of

some time we have had a considerable cavalry in Lagrange, Tenn.—a small place on the Memphis and Charleston Railroad, about fifty miles cast of Mem pi and Charleston railroads. This force former General Grant's army, and has been considered

with that view to General Grant. On the 1st of last t was intimated to Colong! Grierson at headquarthat his wishes would be gratified, and that he a be permitted to take his command into the heart commy's country. One of the objects of the origi-an was the destruction of all lines of communicaen the rebel army of the West and that of Gene

ructions from General Grant to move his ing of the Sixth Illinois cavalry, Lieutenant

ptured two gnerillas, and the Sixth Illinois, reed to Salem, which runs in a westerly direc-

ed three prisoners of the same character.

RIPLET—CROSSING THE TALLAHATCHIR.

the morning of the 18th the command prothe left flank of the column, took a southeaster-tion, crossing the Tallahatchie about five miles at of New Albany. The main body proceeded south, crossing the river two miles east of that the right fank of the column and crossed the Tallahatchie

with the enemy's pickets, who were on both sides of the reserve processor, who were on both sides of the reserve processor. The enemy engaged was a part of the rebel General Chalmers' command, who was stational with the main body of his troops at Schatobia, a distance of between five and six miles from New Albany.

vance. During most of the afternoon the reversible their appearance in small detachments at very long range. Although the march was not impeded by them, akirmishing was kept up until nightfall. This day closed the resultion of our troops:—The Sixth ent was attacked by a considerable force of the

detachment to proceed eastward, another to more back to New Albany, and a third to march northwest towards King's bridge, where it was understood a rebei force was

end the enemy and make him believe the object of edition was to break up the different military or-ions in that, part of the country. The ruse suc-

A BERRI CAMP CATTONNESS WAS CAPTURED,
The entire camp equipage of the robels was captured,
to four hundred bushels of salt, all of which was destroped. Colonel Grierson continued his march until about eight o'clock, when he encamped six miles south of Peatotoc, on the road leading to Housten.

In Precise was sounced on the investigation of the Second Iowa, with about one hundred and seventy-five of the least effective portion of the command, one piece of Sying artiflery and all the prisoners and captured properly, proceeded northward on his return to Lagrange, whither he had been ordered by Colonel Grierson, for the perly, proceeded northward on his return to Lagrange, whither he had been ordered by Colonel Griceron, for the purpose of relieving the force of all encumbrance and to induce the enemy to believe he had retraced his steps, which the return of Major Luii would indicate. As directed, the Major sent's single count west to cut the telegraph wires in the vicinity of Oxford.

lae and the taking of a small number of priseners. After the departure of Major Lull, Colonel Grierson resumed his march southward, passed the town of Honston, and cucampod for the night on a plantation about ten miles from that place.

to take his command up the Columbus road and destroy as much of the Melvile and Ohio Railroad as possible, to atas much of the Mcbile and Ohio Balicoal as possible, to at-tack Columbus if the opposing force at that point was not too strong, and march thence to Lagrange, taking such route as he might deem most expedient. Up to the present writing no pentive information has been receiv-ed concerning the movements of Colonei Hutch; but if has since been reported in rabel newspapers that he was successful in reducing Columbus and had reached La granges in conference.

swimming bayons and wading through almost impas-sable gramps, reached one of the pelheipal tanneries in the country, which was first and completely destroyed. The publishers not learner, another, more, pro-The buildings at the time of their destriction con-tained a very large stock of boots and shies, sadding, bridles, &c., and soveral thousand dollars worth of

halt, they proceeded on towards Philadelphia, Miss. Before reaching that place they crossed a bridge over Pearl river which was reported destroyed. It was found

through which our troops passed, the mail was taken from the Post Office and destroyed; but nothing else was

On the afternoon of Sanday last, the 3d inst., various minurs were afout that two of our cavalry regiments had cut their way through Mississipps and joined with our forces at Baton Rouge. No one credited the ramor, how-ever; it was laughed at as proposterous, and those who were busy in circulating the report were considered the victims of a "big sell." About nine o'clock, however, a despatch was received at headquarters, confirming the report in all points; and when it was known to be true report in all joints; and when it was known to be true all parties held their breath in astoniances at the daring bravery exhibited by our people in cutting their way through this immeets extent of the enemy's country, and avoiding, by skilful strategy, being annihilated or made prisoners of war. The cavalry raids of the enemy ink into insignificance after this exploit. Stuart is nowhere; he may now hide his head from very shame at baving been outdone in the kind of warfare he has so long glorad in; and he may make a thousand other attempts; but never will be be able to equal the exploit of the gallaut Sigh and Seventh Illinois cavalry.

and Seconth Illinois cavalry.

THE ANOTH OF DAMAGE DONE THE EXEMPT

by this raid is incalculable, and its effect upon the
people of the so-called confederacy will be of great benefit
to our cause. The destruction of property has been im-

Our troops were commanded by colonel Benjamin H. Gitterson, of the Sixth Illinois cavalry, and it was my good fortune to be one of the first to shake him by the had on his arrival here yesterday morning from Saton Boundary. Col. Green looks every seth the soldier, and the soldier, and just the man to attempt and carry to a successful termination a rabl like that through Mississippi. In person he is tall, with a spare figure, his face shows bravery and determination, and a manner be is remarkably medes and unassuming. He shows but little the effect of his

vania, having been born in Pittsburg in the month of July, 1827. Consequently he is nearly thirty-six years of age. At a very early age he removed to Trambull county, Ohio, in which thate he resided for nearly fitteen years, and then moved to Inchesopathe, littanie, where he resided harp to a hand organ. Shortly after hostilities com-monoel he left for Caro to join a company that had been raised in his town, butter arrival there he went on duty as aid to General Prenties. When the Sixth Illinois sisting of the Sixth and Seventh Illinois and Second lows regiments. Colonel Grierson, with his command, has West Tennessee and Northern Mississippi, and in every affair has been ruccessful. His officers and men worship him almost, and are ready to follow wherever he will

| The following is a roste | r of the Sixth regiment Illine   |
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| Rauben Loomis            | Lieut. Coionel, commandin  |
| U. H. Storr              | Major.   |
| A. B. Agnew              | Assistant Surgeon.   |
| W. W. Peterron           | First Lieutenant, Co. B.   |
| C. A. Hazard             | First Lieutenant, Co. C.   |
| J. Cottor                | First Lieutenant, Co. D.   |
| John Lynch.              | Secred Lieutenant, Co. D. Captain, Co. E.                                |
| Edward Pall              | Captain, Co. E.<br>First Lieutenant, Co. E.<br>Second Lieutenant, Co. E. |
| W. G. Stoan              | Castain, Co. F.  |
| G. W Newst               | Second Lieutenant, Co. F.  |
| W. D. Glose              | Captain, Co. II.   |
| D.I. Grimes"             | First Lieutenant, Co. H.   |
| Firth Charles worth      | Second Lioutenant, Co. K.  |
|                          | First Lioutenast, Co. L.<br>Captain, Co. K. Battery.                     |
| W. O. Stephenson         | Second Lieutenant, Co. K.  |
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| Geo. A. Root Adjutant.   |
| Charles Honting  |
| II. C. Forbes  |
| W. H. Reynolds Captain On. D.  |
| John M. Graham Acting Major Co. E.   |
| Gen, W. Trafton Acting Hajor Co. C.  |
| Muton L. Webster Capterin Co. H.   |
| Asa W. McDonnidCaptain Co. E.  |
| Wm. Ratmend  |
| Jumph R. Herring Captain Co. K.  |
| M. A. Poperson   |
| B. C. F. Johnson Captain Co. M.  |
| J. I. La Grave   |
| P. V. Kav Bac and Library Co. A  |
| Wm. Commund First lamtement Co. B.   |
| Jus. O. Kane Record Lioutesans Co. B   |
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| Wm. Stiles   |
| Saturel A Fifet Second Lieutenant Co. H  |
| James Maxwell  |
| W. W. Porter   |
| Charles Stoil  |

the searching of the baggage of the proprietors of the St. Charles Hotel, he being conficed that secondon flore could be found the cin. It is gentleman was not natisfied until he had delivered no less than three speaches. This evening, at nine o'clock, Colonel Grierson is to be presented with a superb horse, fully equipped, it moves the money for the purpose (over six bundred dottern) having been subscribed this morning. The people hera are enthosiastic regarding this exploit, and I believe every man of the excellition could be supplied with anything desired, provided some one would start a subscription for that purpose, thailantly, dash and daving is appreciated hera, and ensuines, even, are desirous of having a look at the gailant Colonel and the officers who acompanied him in his wanderings through Drain.

NEW ORLESS, MAY 7, 1867.

PRESENTATION 70 TOL, GRIEFROT.

The presentation of a charger, with full set of equipments, to Colonel Grierron, took pince last evening as agreed upon. The rotunds of the St. Charles was filled, and in the baleony which overleaks it many patriodic ladies were seated, who appeared to enjoy the novelty of the secue. The presentation speech was made by L Madison Day, Lisa, and the reply of Colonel Grierron was short, but exceedingly appropriate. Several other speeches were made, and the meeting broke up at a late hour, and passed off in a delightful manner.

Colonel Friees, of the Seventh Bilinois cavalty, was at the same time presented with a full set of equipments of the charger presented to Colonel Grierron were the gift of Mesers Magne & Kineass, the cele brated saddless of this city, and were valued at one bindred and seventy-five deliars. They were very handsome.

NEW ORIGINS, May 9.

EXTERN OF COL. GREEN-ON TO MIS COMMAND.

Colonel Grierson and the officers who accompanied him to New Orleans left this evening for Baton Rouge, to re again to a few days, or I am very much mistaken, mak-ing another indefible mark upon the robels, and giving them an additional leason in cavalry rates.

## NEWS FROM HOOKER'S ARMY.

The Rebels Throwing Up New and Extensive Eurthworks-Removing the Fifth and Offal Around the Union Camp-All Available Soldiers to Be Sent to Hooker's Camp, &c., &c.

Washington, May 17, 1863. ged with his recent visit to the President. The river from of the enemy has been recommuted and the discovery made that during the night of the 14th instant the enemy threw up new and attenues and

instant the enemy threw up new and extensive earth-nerks along the ridge of hills in the rear and to the left ef Fredericksburg.

Under the direction of General Patrick all offal, car-

and other sanitary measures are in progress. Some of the camps, lockeding General Hooker's headquarters, will probably be removed from their present locations to on detached service in and around Washington, Baiti-more, and on the railroads in Virginia and Maryland, will be forwarded to Hooker's command, and their places sup-pised by Pennsylvania militia, which, it is said, here been

pation will give on exhibition of their skill and prod-ciency of the Academy of Music on the evening of Mar-

IMPORTANT FROM THE SOUTHWEST.

The Army of General Grant in Mississippi.

Rebel Reports of the Occupatien of Jackson, Miss., by General Grant's Forces.

Spirited Engagement at Thompson's Hills.

DEFEAT OF THE REBELS. PARTIAL LIST OF THE PEDERAL LOSS.

Details of the Capture and Occupation of Port Gibson.

ITS RESULTS.

The Enemy Driven Morth of Big Black River,

Our Expeditionary Correspondence.

Sours Sine or the Rear River, 1

Haverson's Frent, Mts., May 3, 1863. 5

Frents have followed each other so rapidly within the last three days that I have been utterly unable to keep you informed of them as they have occurred. In a land blessed with mail facilities this would be an irreparable blessed with mail facilities this would be an irreparable misfortune in a journalistic point of view; but here, cut off as we are from one of the blessings of civilization and good order, and depending upon the courtesy of returning officers to take our communications, we feel the misfor-

night, and at the conclusion of my letter I was forced to shrow myself upon the ground, under the triendly shelter of a thrifty cottonwood, to gain a little sleep for the labors of cannon, followed by the sharp rattle of musketry, and I was not surprised, soon after I went into bivouse, to learn that an order was issued to march at daylight. At five reveille was beaten, and swallowing a cup of coffee and securing within haversack a cracker or two, just as the first rays of the tropical sun came ghistening

rebel [hatteries at Vicksburg and Grand Gulf were then used to carry troops from Bromly's plantation to Bruits ining down the river, having on board one hundred inity thousand rations and a full battery of artiflery—screenson's. Whether it was owing to the fug or the eleanous of the pilot has not been accertained, but nahow the two vessels collided and the Horizon, rations tery, sank in deep water; and disappeared from ision. Every horse on board was drowned. Every you lies fathous deep in water, rations are rained, and, I regret to add, that two or three soldiers found a water grave. At this juncture the loss is almost irreparable.

The read to Port Gibson lies along the inner side of the even for a couple of miles, until it branches to the right and strikes the bloff or serios of hills extending to Grand Gulf and Yiekaburg. The route over these bluffs differs so materially from that over the dead levels of the preceding or green trees, formed a truly beautiful plets re-

Bruissburg are rigidly maintained here, except that, if tom of a deep ravino a clear running stream of water -a and turbid; but here was one as clear as crystal. Beyond this stresm the road over the hill rises abruptly entil it seands. Just beyond is a road to the left leading to Grand-Gult, and to the right a road leading south. the latter, and reach a primitive church just to the edge of a grove of inegodias, with an open lawn in faunt. A as a centre, and striking a semi-circle towards the east whose periphery shall be everywhere two miles from this common centre, and your line will strike a chain of hills and valleys, upon which and between which this battle, known as that of Thempson's fills, was fought.

Just beyond these bills is Port Gibson. THE HATTLE OF PORT CHISTON. General McCleronnol's army corps was marching to the direction of Port Gibson, and had reached the ravine and the running brook alluded to as early as eleven o clock on Thursday evening. It was his intention to encure on the opposite hill, near which the nespitat has since been tocated; but the enemy had placed a three gun buttery most persistently to shell us. His range was not good, and the guns did no damage. We withdrow out of range, and patiently waited for daylight. At daybresk the fight was renewed, first by the advance skirmishers, and afterwards by the man body. The buttery placed upon the hill opposite was annoying us, and the Eighteenth and Eighth Indiana were ordered to take it. Across the running water and up the steep ascent advanced the brave Indianions, with tayonets firmly set, nor faltered a single step until the enemy were driven from the position and their guns fell into our

road which led past the church, near which they had stationed another battery. Here the battle raged fearfully, and several of our men were wounded and killed.
After the robels had left this point? was able to find where the fight raged the florout, the doad loosies of twenty then within a circuit of half as many rods. Iriven from this position by the impetance attack of the fodoral sendlers, the robel Ceneral sought a convepted circles of hills, and established his battle tipe. His centre rested on the Port School road, with his right and selt on the right and left of that thoroughhis right and left on the right and loft of that thoroughfare. The attack was first made with artifiery upon his
contro, then skirmishers advanced and the engagement
became general in that locality. After heavy firing, the
enemy gave may and manaed his forces on his left with
the evident intention of financing our right. This intention was discovered in neison to avoid it
by a proper disposition of our reserves, were
the enemy wheeled over to his right and manaed
his forces, making a most formidable demonstration. The attack measured this wing was remaided with
great determination and with partial success in the carrier
port of the day, and the enemy gained reveral important
positions, from which, for some foots, we tried in vain
to dividige him. On our extreme left and their right
there was an convaien, protosted to front by an importrable catechers, and defeated from flack approach by
ravines, where the attacking party would be forced to
undergo an ootlasding fire. The enemy had manufed his
gens upon the hill and partied his correspondent to take command of the Potosmo Army
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soldier was in 4 iow. General Osterhaus n of his division were opposite. At he nforcements were called for, and the spade of the Third division, commanded General John E. Smith, came rushing a road towards Grand Gulf. They were formed and in position, and with a shoot, which have saveck terror in the hearts of the enemy the

on the battle neid, wearned and exhausted, and soon seed silence reignest supreme where Mars so recently held night carnival.

I have yet seen no estimate, and must rely open my own observations. I estimate the killed at one hand red and fifty, wounded at four hundred and prisoners at twenty. I consider this rather an over estimate. I give you the following list of wounded:—

Wm. C. Brockus, 46th Indiana, slightly: D. B. Wirt, 36th Indiana, seriously: H. E. Terpers, 46th Indiana, slightly: Wm. Stokes, 34th Indiana, slightly: Dender Stow, 8th Indiana, slightly: Leander Stow, 8th Indiana, slightly: Leander Stow, 8th Indiana, slightly: Jeander Stow, 8th Indiana, slightly: Phos. Iohn, 28th Indiana, slightly: Indiana, seriously: Adha Munch, 28th Indiana, seriously: Septembers, 23th Indiana, seriously: John Munch, 28th Indiana, seriously Serpent Ger McTera, 4th Ohio, seriously: Country Copyent Ger McTera, 4th Ohio, seriously: Copyent John Wood, 23d Indiana, seriously: John Munch, 28th Indiana, seriously: September Stow, 18th Indiana, seriously: John Munch, 28th Indiana, seriously: Serpense Stoinbury. 23th Indiana, slightly: Thomas Blings, 40th Indiana, slightly: George Stoinbury. 23th Indiana, slightly: Spanian M. B. Potter, 124th Indiana, slightly: Anthony Gavin, 66th Indiana, slightly: Jeseph Van Keery; 7th Mchigan hattery, seriously: Indiana, slightly: Anthony Gavin, 66th Indiana, slightly: Jeseph Van Keery; 7th Mchigan hattery, seriously: Indiana, slightly: Williams, seriously: John Lan, 24th Indiana, seriously: John Lan, 24th Indiana, slightly: Williams, seriously: John Lan, 24th Indiana, slightly: Williams, seriously: John John, slightly: Williams, seriously: Samel Houver, 120th Ohio, slightly: Williams, seriously: John John, seriously: John John, seriously: John John, seriously: Heavy, 40th Indiana, seriously: Heavy, 40th

that tenerals Leving, Lee, Highiana and Pemberton were in advance. It was our intention to prevent their crossing the river, and we pushed rapidly forward.

We arrived at the bank of Hig Black, just before dirk, and were received with a sharp fire of minketry. Lines of alternihors were qualkly formed, and the enemy drived acress the river. The roar guard attempted to destroy the postoon hydre, but our sharpshooters were too quark for them, and picked them off before their design was fully not required. A few shell were exchanged with the chemy, and all was quiet. They will, doubtless, mass their force on the other side of the river and device the passage. We are now but eighteen miles from Vacksburg, and seven unles from Grand Gulf. I send this by special measurings to Grand Gulf.

Nashvitta, Tenn , May 16, 1863

Ferenty nine rebel prisoners, including one colonel and one captain were sent North to tay. Dr. Chentham and Twenty-five robot families have been sent Fouth by Brigadier General J. T. Wood, who assumed command of Cashville this morning. The river is still falling. There Major Riemcaklel, the rebei Van Born's Adjutant, has

The Memphis Rulletin cays :-We learn through seces and secrecy that General Grant's advance on the 11th was at Raymond, Mississippi, ten miles from the railroad

been appointed Confederate Adjutant General of Missouri, with rank of brigadier general. He was formerly a lieu-

I have the Chattanooga Relei of yesterday, 16th lest contains the following despatches regarding Grant's

Jackson, Mississippi, is occupied by the enemy. We fought them all day, but could not held the city.

The aggregate number of wounded brought here since to battle at Pre-tericksburg, is 7,000.

The finishing shops of the Treetegar from Works, and the

morning. Loss heavy.